Public Private Partnerships Applicability to Defence Procurement

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Aim

Provide an appreciation of:

- Public Private Partnerships
- Defence Deals
- Key Issues
- Few thoughts

PPP is not a panacea...

Public Private Partnerships

Public Private Partnerships (PPP):

- Output specified service
- Medium to long term contract
- Negotiated process
- Focus on non confrontation

Private Finance Initiative:

- Service underpinned by capital assets
- Private sector funding of assets

Consideration of procurement strategy is required: PPP is an established route

Defence Deals

- Accommodation Services barracks and headquarters
- Back Office Services pay, pensions and personnel
- Information Services financial and procurement systems
- Training Services aircraft, ship and AFV simulation
- Transport commercial and military support vehicles
- Strategic Deployment intra-theatre air, sea and land
- Utilities water, sewage and electricity
- Military Communications HF, VLF and satellite

Increasingly frontline focus

Key Issues

- Service definition and demarcation
- Risk transfer
 - operational
 - commercial
- Affordability
 - balance sheet treatment
 - ongoing
- Sustainability and flexibility

PPPs force focus on strategic issues

Thoughts...

- Output based services... not assets
- Commercial potential to add value
- Sensible risk transfer and incentivisation
- In excess of £15m capital spend

PPPs require a fresh consideration of the problem